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SUBJ: CUBAN 1978 SUGAR COMMITMENTS

1. FOLLOWING SUMMARY LISTING OF ACTUAL OR POTENTIAL CUBAN
COMMITMENTS (IN MILLION METRIC TONS) FROM 1978 SUGAR HARVEST,
BASED ON OUR MOST RECENT INFORMATION, MAY BE USEFUL:
A) FREE MARKET (ISA QUOTA WITH MAXIMUM DOWNWARD ADJUSTMENTS)
2.037
B) USSR (UNDER 5 YEAR AGREEMENT) 2.700, (ADDITIONAL PURCHASE)
.200 (SEE HAVANA 678)
C) EASTERN EUROPE AND MONGOLIA .640 -OF WHICH BULGARIA .210
(SEE HAVANA 505); GDR .205 (SEE HAVANA 481); CZECHOSLOVAKIA .095
(SEE HAVANA 554); HUNGARY .065 (SEE HAVANA 494); POLAND .045
(SEE HAVANA 529); MONGOLIA .020 (SEE HAVANA A-09, DATED MARCH
31)
D) NON-COMECON SOCIALIST COUNTRIES .565 TO .645;
CHINA (UNDER COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT) .310; (TRADE IMBALANCE/
CREDIT PAYBACK) .070; (CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY PURCHASES) .060-.140
(SEE HAVANA 570 AND 633); VIET-NAM .080 (SEE HAVANA 668);
NORTH KOREA .030 (SEE HAVANA 668); ALBANIA (EST.) .015
E) DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION (EST.) .550.

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2. TOTAL SUGAR COMMITTED FOR 1978 HARVEST THUS APPARS
TO BE APPROXIMATELY 6.692 TO 6.772MILLION METRIC TONS.

3. ALTHOUGH CUBANS TRADITIONALLY HAVE RESERVES OF ABOUT
300-500 THOUSAND TONS AT END OF HARVEST, THE NEED TO
CONTRIBUTE TO THE ISA BUFFER STOCKS THIS YEAR MAKES CLEAR

WHY CUBAN PRODUCTION TARGET FIGURES WERE APPARENTLY SET AT 6.8 TO 7.0 MILLION TONS (CASTRO, IN JANUARY, AT PUERTO CARUPANO SAID THAT PLANNED PRODUCTION WAS SET TO INCREASE BY 500 TO 700 THOUSAND TONS FROM LAST YEAR'S REPORTED 6.345 MILLIONS TONS.)

4. CURRENT LAGS IN CUBAN PRODUCTION (SEE SEPTTEL) SUGGEST THAT HAVANA MAY WISH TO SEEK TO DEFER SOME DELIVERIES TO EASTERN EUROPE AND SOVIET UNION UNTIL 1979. BUT CUBANS, PRESSED FOR HARD CURRENCY, WILL PROBABLY WISH TO MAINTAIN SCHEDULED SOVIET/EE DELIVERIES TO CUBA.
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